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Re METER-WENGER Visit
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We are in fact committed to a fall visit and postponement would be disappointment to MEIER and WENGER. Regardless of our reassurances to contrary they would probably wonder whether change in plan was an attempt gracefully to withdraw invitation. On other hand our relationship with BfV and with MEIER and WENGER in particular is such that our liaison would suffer no permanent damage particularly if we follow through with visit in spring.

It is our feeling that current unresolved policy matters with respect CI/CE posture German Station and EGIS computer need not affect timing of visit because MEIER and WENGER most likely will play key role in KUBARK CE liaison activities in Germany for some time to come regardless of manner in which above questions resolved. Furthermore while their field of activity vitally affected by computer program neither plays major policy role in matters concerning same. On other hand we strongly desire have visitors receive best possible treatment while in Headquarters and feel effort should be made schedule visit so as to insure this possible. while we most eager for reasons stated to follow through with visit this autumn as planned we fully realize timing is dependent on Headquarters ability handle and thus matter which only latter can decide. We have not discussed possibility postponement with MEIER and WENGER. Feel it preferable KUBARK decide if visit this Autumn feasible and if not inform them postponement necessary because key personnel who participate in Headquarters program will be absent in autumn.

3. Please advise.

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Appreciate ref however request you advise MEIER and WENGER postponement trip until spring necessary.

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